

House Resolution No. 4469

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have proven down through the years to be exemplary citizens in local communities and neighborhoods; and

Whereas, John Twitty recently enhanced his already impressive record of accomplishment when he was selected to receive a 2007 Missourian Award by the American Heart Association; and

Whereas, John Twitty is the General Manager and Chief Executive Officer for City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri, which provides electricity, natural gas, water, transit, and telecommunications services to a population of 250,000 in the city and surrounding area, and it operates two coal-fired generating stations, two water treatment plants, and more than 250 miles of fiber optic lines; and

Whereas, a fifteen-year City Utilities veteran, John Twitty assumed his current responsibilities on October 1, 2002, and prior to his career at City Utilities, he served as General Manager of Rolla Municipal Utilities in Rolla, Missouri, from 1988 to 1991; and

Whereas, a 1975 graduate of the University of Missouri, John Twitty is active the community through his involvement with the United Way of the Ozarks, Springfield Business and Development Corporation, PIC West Administrative Council, St. John's Health System, Empire Bank, Rotary Club of Springfield Southeast, Boys & Girls Town of Missouri, and other local organizations; and

Whereas, John Twitty serves nationally as Chairman of the Board of the American Public Power Association in Washington, DC and Chairman of the Board of The Energy Authority in Jacksonville, Florida; and

Whereas, Missourian Awards nominees have made an outstanding contribution to the state or nation in the areas of civics, business, education, politics, or the arts by dedicating their lives to improving the quality of life in this state through diligent work and charitable ideals; and

Whereas, past Missourian Awards winners have included George Washington Carver, General Omar Bradley, Thomas Hart Benton, Walter Cronkite, President Harry S Truman, General John J. Pershing, Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton, and Walt Disney; and

Whereas, Missourian Awards have been presented annually for fourteen years by the American Heart Association to acknowledge the most accomplished citizens of the state of Missouri:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join to applaud the well-deserved selection of John Twitty for a 2007 Missourian Award from the American Heart Association; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for John Twitty.

Offered by _____
Representative Bob Dixon
District No. 140

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4469, adopted August 16, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker